

Money will create jobs, upgrade infrastructure, and protect drinking water

Toms River, NJ - Congressman John Adler today announced that Ocean County is eligible for more than \$26 million in federal recovery funds for clean water and drinking water projects. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced the list of expected projects today.

"Ocean County is receiving one of the largest amounts of money in the state," Congressman Adler said. "Local residents will soon benefit from projects that create jobs and make necessary infrastructure updates. Efforts to clean our water, like projects to protect Barnegat Bay, are of the utmost concern to me and to all residents of Ocean County. These funds will protect our drinking water and keep families healthy and safe."

The federal funds, secured through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, will go a long way to help keep our water clean and abundant. Projects will eliminate sewer overflows, halt releases of raw sewage, and improve water quality in polluted areas. In addition, drinking water will be protected, and plans to increase clean drinking water infrastructure will be supported.

Ocean County is eligible to receive a total of \$26,062,525 for clean water projects, including:

Ocean County Utilities Authority

- \$6,791,740 for Sewage Treatment Plant improvements
- \$2,135,760 for Ocean outfall repairs
- \$1,072,500 for the SCADA system at the Sewage Treatment Plant
- \$6,062,525 for Sewage Treatment Plant outfall repairs

United Waterworks Inc. Toms River/Berkeley

- \$10,000,000 for Toms River United Waterworks Inc. new facility to remove radio nuclides from the water

Congressman Adler helped secure more than \$31 million in recovery funds for clean water projects in South Jersey and shore areas.

